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The Honorable Michael O. Leavitt
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
P. O. Box 1473
Merrifield, VA 22116

RE: Additional CAS Numbers Being Covered by the Olefins Panel in the HPV
Chemical Challenge Program Category Reports
HPV Registration No.

Dear Mr. Leavitt:

On October 18, 1999 and November 23, 1999, the Olefins Panel (Panel) volunteered to address substances identified by 73 CAS numbers under the HPV Chemical Challenge Program in 8 categories. As indicated in the Panel's Test Plans, submitted between June 2000 and December 2001, to avoid duplicate testing of products, the Panel coordinated with other consortia, such as the API Petroleum Testing Group (PHTG) and the International Hydrocarbons Solvents Consortium (IHCS) to identify CAS numbers of common interest. At that time, a decision was made between the three consortia as to which one would address CAS numbers that described products in two or more of the consortia. On December 7, 2001, the Olefins Panel sent a letter to EPA clarifying which CAS numbers common to two or more of these consortia would be managed by the Olefins Panel and which would be managed by the other consortia.

The Panel is now in the process of developing category reports for its 8 categories and has identified five additional CAS numbers that correctly describe five process streams that were included in the Panel's categories. The purpose of this letter is to inform EPA of these additional CAS numbers and to formally volunteer to sponsor them in the HPV Challenge Program. These CAS numbers are described in Table 1, along with the appropriate Olefins Panel HPV category.

The addition of these CAS numbers brings the total number of CAS numbers sponsored by the Olefins Panel to 78. The Panel will include these CAS numbers in category reports being submitted in 2004.

If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Moran, Manager of the Olefins Panel at Elizabeth_Moran@americanchemistry.com or 301 924 2006.

Sincerely yours,

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Table 1
Additional CAS Numbers in to be Sponsored by the Olefins Panel
In the HPV Program

CAS No.	CAS RN Name	HPV Category Designation	HPV Text Test Plan	Comment
64742-47-8	Distillates, petroleum, hydrotreated light	G	Fuel Oils	Sponsored by API, Kerosene and Jet Fuel Category
68512-78-7	Solvent naphtha, petroleum, light arom., Hydrotreated	E	Low Benzene Naphthas	Not currently sponsored by other consortia
68553-14-0	Hydrocarbons, C8-11	E	Low Benzene Naphthas	Not currently sponsored by other consortia
68602-79-9	Distillates, petroleum, benzene unit hydrotreater dipentanizer overheads	B	C5 Noncyclics	Sponsored by API, Gasoline Blending Streams Category
68606-24-6	Hydrocarbons, C4, butene concentrator by- product	A	Low Butadiene C4s	Sponsored by API, Petroleum Gases Category